

FACT BOX

- There are more than 31,000 verses in the Bible, with over 23,000 verses in the Old Testament and almost 8,000 verses in the New Testament.
- There are 2,848 passages highlighted in *The Poverty and Justice Bible*. (In some cases, partial verses are highlighted.)
- There are 2,130 sections on poverty and justice highlighted in the Old Testament and 718 in the New Testament.
- The book with the most highlighted sections in the Old Testament is Psalms, with 247 verses.
- The New Testament book with most passages selected is the Gospel of Matthew with 124 verses.
- Song of Songs, 2 John and 3 John have no selected verses on poverty and justice.
- Jesus spoke about poverty and justice many times. In Matthew alone there were 16 occasions when Jesus spoke of poverty and justice. Other instances are recorded in over 290 verses in the New Testament.
- The first highlighted passage in *The Poverty and Justice Bible* is Genesis 3.17-19, where God admonishes Adam for eating the fruit from the tree and warns him that he will 'struggle to grow enough food' and 'sweat to earn a living'.
- The last highlighted passage in *The Poverty and Justice Bible* is Revelation 22.12-15. In this passage, Jesus apparently foretells his second coming, promising great things for those who have followed his path but eternal condemnation for those who have been unjust.
- According to Mathew's Gospel, Jesus made his first reference to poverty and justice in Matthew 5, The Sermon on the Mount, where he says, 'God blesses those people who are humble. The earth will belong to them.'

